

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1 1. (Currently Amended) A method of correcting resonance position or the external
2 decay time of a waveguide micro-resonator comprising physically altering by deposition,
3 ~~removal~~, or growth of material ~~in or around said waveguide~~ on the core of the waveguide
4 micro-resonator.

1 2. (Canceled) The method of claim 1, wherein said altering of the material occurs on
2 the core of the waveguide micro-resonator.

1 3. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein said altering of the material
2 further occurs in the cladding of the waveguide micro-resonator.

1 4. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein reaction products of a deposition or
2 growth have different chemical compositions from that of the core.

1 5. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein said altering comprises a wet chemical
2 reaction.

1 6. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein said altering comprises a thermal
2 reaction at temperatures above 100°C.

1 7. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein reaction products of a growth are
2 removed after the reaction associated with said growth.

1 8. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein reaction products of a growth are left
2 between the core and the cladding after the reaction associated with said growth.

1 9. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein reaction products of a deposition or
2 growth have refractive indices that range from that of the core to that of the cladding.

1 10. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein reaction products of a deposition have a
2 graded refractive index profile from that of the core to that of the cladding.

1 11. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein said altering results in a change in
2 optical path length in said waveguide micro-resonator.

1 12. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein said altering results in a change in
2 coupling of said waveguide micro-resonator, thus in a change in coupling efficiency and shape
3 of the waveguide micro-resonator resonance.

1 13. (Withdrawn) A method of correcting the position of or the shape of resonance of a
2 waveguide micro-resonator comprising focusing a large amount of electromagnetic energy onto
3 the resonator.

1 14. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 13, wherein said electromagnetic energy
2 transfers a large amount of thermal energy to the cavity core of said waveguide micro-
3 resonator.

1 15. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 13, wherein one or more materials comprising
2 the waveguide micro-resonator undergoes a physical or mechanical change.

1 16. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 13, wherein one or more materials comprising
2 the waveguide micro-resonator core undergoes a physical or mechanical change, or an index
3 change.

1 17. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 16, wherein one or more materials comprising
2 the waveguide micro-resonator core undergoes an index change as a result of photosensitivity.

1 18. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 16, wherein one or more materials comprising
2 the waveguide micro-resonator core undergoes an index change as a result of a long lasting
3 photo-refractive effect.

1 19. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 13, wherein said electromagnetic energy
2 transfers a large amount of thermal energy to a region surrounding the waveguide micro-
3 resonator cavity.

1 20. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 13, wherein one or more materials surrounding
2 the waveguide micro-resonator undergoes a physical change from non-chemical origins.

1 21. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 13, wherein one or more materials surrounding
2 the waveguide micro-resonator undergoes a mechanical change.

1 22. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 13, wherein one or more materials surrounding
2 the waveguide micro-resonator undergoes an index change as a result of photosensitivity.

1 23. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 13, wherein one or materials surrounding the
2 waveguide micro-resonator undergoes an index change as a result of a long lasting photo-
3 refractive effect.

1 24. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 13, wherein said electromagnetic energy induces
2 a change in optical path length in said waveguide micro-resonator.

1 25. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 13, wherein said electromagnetic energy
2 induces a change in coupling of said micro-resonator, thus a change in coupling efficiency and
3 shape of the micro-resonator resonance

1 26. (Canceled) A high index difference waveguide micro-resonator device that
2 temporarily changes position or shape of resonance comprising:

3 at least one patterned layer core, the at least one patterned layer core has at least one
4 resonator and at least one input/output waveguide; a cladding surrounding said core, said
5 cladding including regions surrounding said core where an evanescent field resides unless
6 temporarily changed; and

7 non-intersecting input and output waveguides;

8 at least one layer defining a tuning region; and

9 at least one electrode in poor electrical contact with said core, wherein

10 said position or shape of resonance is temporarily changed by applying a current or
11 voltage to said at least one electrode so as to induce a change in index of refraction in said
12 tuning region.

1 27. (Canceled) The device of claim 26, wherein the tuning region is used to change the
2 index of at least part of the cladding by a thermo-optic effect.

1 28. (Canceled) The device of claim 26, wherein the tuning region comprises a material
2 whose index is changed through an electro-optic effect.

1 29. (Canceled) The device of claim 26, wherein the tuning region comprises a material
2 whose index is changed through an acousto-optic effect.

1 30. (Canceled) The device of claim 26, wherein the tuning region comprises a material
2 whose index is changed through a magneto-optic effect.

1 31. (Canceled) The device of claim 26, wherein the tuning region comprises a material
2 whose index is changed through a photo-refractive effect.

1 32. (Canceled) The device of claim 26, wherein the tuning region comprises a material
2 that is able to move mechanically.

1 33. (Canceled) The device of claim 26, wherein means for generating a change in the
2 cladding of the micro-resonator are monolithically integrated with said input and output
3 waveguides.

1 34. (Canceled) The device of claim 26, wherein means for generating a change in the
2 cladding of the micro-resonator are hybridly integrated with said input and output waveguides.

1 35. (Canceled) The device of claim 26, wherein means for generating a change in the
2 cladding of the micro-resonator are fabricated in the vicinity of said input and output
3 waveguides.

1 36. (Canceled) The device of claim 26, wherein means for generating a change in the
2 cladding of the micro-resonator are placed in contact with a substrate on which the micro-
3 resonator is configured.

1 37. (Canceled) The device of claim 26, wherein said at least one electrode stands off at
2 a distance larger than decay length of the optical intensity in the cladding.

1 38. (Canceled) The device of claim 26, wherein change of said cladding results in a
2 change in optical path length in said micro-resonator.

1 39. (Canceled) The device of claim 26, wherein change of said cladding results in a
2 change in coupling of said micro-resonator, thus a change in coupling efficiency and shape of
3 the micro-resonator resonance.